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**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Mr N P Masipa (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

(1) What is the (a) extent of the commonage land in the Eastern Cape and (b) current usage of the commonage land;

(2) whether the commonage land has water rights to allow farming to take place; if not, what steps will her department take to ensure that there are water rights; if so, what are the relevant details;

(3) whether there are farming activities taking place on the commonage land; if not, why not; if so, what farming activities are taking place on the pieces of land;

(4) whether she will furnish Mr N P Masipa with the relevant information regarding (a) land that has been invaded and (b) the action(s) that were taken regarding the situation; if not, why not; if so, by what date? NW1324E

**REPLY:**

**To redirect the question to: Department of Agriculture, Land and Rural Development**

Matters relating to the commonage land and farming activities are managed and administered by the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development. The Honourable member is advised to re-direct the aforementioned department.